LAW OFFICES OF MIKEL D. BRYAN, P.C. MIKEL D. BRYAN (SBN 84010) 550 Doyle Park Drive Santa Rosa, California 95405 (707) 528-1231 Fax: (707) 528-3143 Attorney for Defendant B & B Management Group, LLC, dba Bellach's Leather for Living 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 SAN JOSE DIVISION 10 SUSAN SANDELMAN, AS TRUSTEE No. CV 08-00681 HRL OF THE ESAN TRUST, 11 EX PARTE APPLICATION OF MIKEL D. Plaintiff. BRYAN, COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT B 12 & B MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC, dba BELLACH'S LEATHER FOR LIVING, 13 FOR AN ORDER GRANTING **B&B PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC.** APPLICANT RELIEF FROM ANY dba BELLACH'S LEATHER FOR LIVING, 14 PERSONAL APPEARANCE AT THE HEARING ON APPLICANT'S MOTION 15 Defendant. TO BE RELIEVED AS ATTORNEY OF RECORD FOR DEFENDANT and ORDER 16 **THEREON** 17 Complaint Filed: January 29, 2008 Assigned Judge: Hon. Howard R. Lloyd 18 19 TO: THE HONORABLE HOWARD R. LLOYD: 20 Mikel D. Bryan ("Applicant"), attorney of record for the Defendant, B & B Management Group LLC ("the Defendant"), hereby applies to the Court, Ex Parte, for an order relieving 21 22 Applicant from having to appear at the Law and Motion hearing set for August 12, 2008, on Application's Motion to be Relieved as Counsel for said Defendant. 23 This application is made on the grounds that Applicant, if required to appear at the law 24 and motion hearing on August 12, 2008, will have to drive more than five hours to appear before 25 the Court on this unopposed motion, which will exacerbate the financial losses already being 26 incurred by Applicant as a result of the failure of the Defendant to pay its written obligations to 27 pay the Applicant's attorney's fees and costs incurred in this matter. 28

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Dated: August 7, 2008

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The Motion to be Relieved as Counsel was timely served, no opposition has been received from the client/defendant, and none is expected at the time of the hearing. Further, Plaintiff's counsel has filed a Statement of Non-Opposition to the Motion. Applicant has provided the Court with a proposed Order, relieving Applicant as the attorney of record for the Defendant, in compliance with the Northern District of California local rules, and has fully advised, in writing, the Defendant of the consequences of the Court's granting of the Applicant's motion.

The undersigned has advised counsel for the Plaintiff, that this Application was being made and a copy of it has been sent electronically to Counsel concurrently with the filing hereof.

The Court, at the time of the hearing on the Defendant's request for relief from its default heard on July 15, 2008, stated that it would consider the Applicant's present request for an Order, Ex Parte, if that Application was submitted shortly before the scheduled hearing date of August 12, 2008, and no opposition appeared to be in the offing.

It is therefore, respectfully requested that the Court excuse the Applicant's personal appearance at the law and motion hearing of August 12, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

LAW OFFICES OF MIKEL D. BRYAN, P.C.

Mikel D. Bryan

Attorney for Defendant

ORDER

Having considered the Application of Mikel D. Bryan, counsel for the defendant, B & B Management Group LLC and good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that counsel for the defendant, B & B Management Group LLC, Mikel D. Bryan, is hereby excused from personally appearing at the hearing of Applicant's motion to be relieved as attorney of record for the defendant, B & B Management Group, LLC, set for hearing on August 12, 2008.

Howard R. Lloyd United States Magistrate Judge

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